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**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OF)

CONSENT ORDER

BERNARD P. VIGNA, JR. M.D.)
LICENSE NO. MA47020)

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY)
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) upon receipt of a Decision and Order (Maine Order) filed by the Maine State Board of Licensure in Medicine (Maine Board) against Bernard P. Vigna, M.D. (Respondent) on or about June 13, 2006. The Maine Board Order states that Respondent violated the Maine Board statutes and/or rules by: inappropriately prescribing controlled drugs to his wife, CP, his girlfriend, CM, and an office employee, GM; failing to create or maintain appropriate medical records concerning his diagnosis, treatment, and prescribing practices with regard to controlled drugs that he prescribed his wife, CP, his girlfriend, CM, and his office employee, GM; inappropriately prescribing controlled drugs

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to and/or failing to create or maintain appropriate medical records concerning his diagnosis, treatment and prescribing practices with regard to controlled drugs that he prescribed to ten patients; inappropriately requesting and/or accepting and using controlled drugs from his office employee, G.M., and his girlfriend, C.M., which controlled drugs he had prescribed for their medical care and treatment.

Respondent's license to practice medicine in Maine was suspended for a period of six months beginning May 9, 2006, and his license was placed on probation with conditions, for a period of ten (10) years. Respondent was also reprimanded, based on a finding by the Maine Board that his actions were particularly egregious in his violation of sexual boundaries and over prescription of narcotics without appropriate record keeping.

For the above reasons, the Maine Board proceedings provide a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(d), N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(g).

The Board and Respondent seek to resolve this matter without resorting to further proceedings, and the Board finding that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public interest, and for good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 13th DAY OF December 2006

ORDERED:

1. Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey is hereby suspended until such time that

Respondent can prove to the Board that he holds an active unrestricted license in the State of Maine.

2. Prior to applying for reinstatement of licensure, Respondent must have an active unrestricted license to practice medicine in Maine, including complete satisfaction of probation. Prior to reinstatement in New Jersey, Respondent must appear before a Committee of the Board, to provide the Board with a full account of his conduct during the intervening period of time from his suspension of licensure to his appearance pursuant to this Order. At such appearance the burden shall be upon Respondent to prove his fitness to practice medicine and surgery in New Jersey and at that time Respondent shall be prepared to propose his plans for future practice in New Jersey.

STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: Sindy Paul, MD
Sindy Paul, M.D.
Board President

I have read and I understand the terms and conditions of the within Order and agree to be bound by them. I hereby give my consent for the entry of this Order.

Bernard P. Vigna, Jr. 11/21/06
Bernard P. Vigna, Jr., M.D.